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ICH-08 Report – Form

REPORT BY A NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION ACCREDITED TO ACT IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY TO THE COMMITTEE ON ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION

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A. Identification of the organization

A.1. Name of the organization submitting this report

A.1.a. Provide the full official name of the organization in its original language, as it appears on the official documents.

Centro de Estudios Borjanos de la Institucion "Fernando el Catolico"

A.1.b. Name of the organization in English and/or French.

Centre of Studies on Borja of the "Ferdinand the Catholic" Institution

A.1.c. Accreditation number of the organization (as indicated in all previous correspondence: NGO-90XXX)

NGO-90059

A.2. Address of the organization

Provide the complete postal address of the organization, as well as additional contact information such as its telephone number, email address, website, etc. This should be the postal address where the organization carries out its business, regardless of where it may be legally domiciled. In the case of internationally active organizations, please provide the address of the headquarters.

Organization: Centre of Studies on Borja of the Institution "Fernando el Catolico"

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Other relevant information:

A.3. Contact person for correspondence

Provide the complete name, address and other contact information of the person responsible for correspondence concerning this report.

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Other relevant information:

B. Contribution of the organization to the implementation of the Convention at the national level (Chapter III of the Convention)¹

Distinguish between completed activities and ongoing activities. If you have not contributed, this should be indicated. Also describe any obstacles or difficulties that your organization may have encountered in such participation.

B.1. Describe your organization's participation in State efforts to develop and implement measures to strengthen institutional capacities for safeguarding intangible cultural heritage (ICH) (Article 13 and Operational Directive (OD) 154), e.g. in the drafting of ICH-related policies or legislation, in the establishment of national ICH committees or in other government-led processes.

Not to exceed 250 words

We collaborate in the drafting of the Aragonese Cultural Heritage Law, at the request of the regional government

B.2. Describe your organization's cooperation with competent governmental bodies for the safeguarding of intangible cultural heritage (Article 13), including existing institutions for training on and the documentation of ICH (OD 154).

Not to exceed 250 words

They have not requested our collaboration.

B.3. Describe your organization's involvement in or contribution to the drafting of the State's Periodic Report (OD 152).

Not to exceed 250 words

They have not requested our collaboration.

¹ In case your organization operates in several States, please indicate clearly which State or States are concerned by your answers when filling in parts B, C and E.

B.4 Describe your organization's participation in the preparation of nominations to the Urgent Safeguarding List or Representative List, requests for International Assistance or proposals of Good Safeguarding Practices.

Not to exceed 250 words

We have not participated

B.5. Describe your organization's participation in the identification, definition (Article 11.b) and inventorying of ICH (Article 12, OD 80 and OD 153). Explain, in particular, how your organization cooperates with communities, groups and, where relevant, individuals.

Not to exceed 250 words

It is in this area that our work has achieved particular importance as, in collaboration with other local groups and authorities, we have completed the ICH inventory for our entire area of influence.

B.6. Describe your organization's participation in other safeguarding measures, including those referred to in Article 13 and OD 153, aimed at:

- a. promoting the function of ICH in society;
- b. fostering scientific, technical and artistic studies with a view to effective safeguarding;
- c. facilitating, to the extent possible, access to information relating to ICH while respecting customary practices governing access to specific aspects of it.

Explain, in particular, how your organization cooperates with communities, groups and, where relevant, individuals when participating in such measures.

Not to exceed 250 words

Our blog (<http://cesbor.blogspot.com>) has played a major role in stressing the importance of the ICH in our area of action, with a specific section ("Traditions") summarising all the events held in relation to this element of our heritage. We now have 5 publications bringing together data on traditional dances, and we have published another on Music. We have also completed the photographic inventory of all elements of the ICH.

B.7. Describe your organization's involvement in measures to ensure greater recognition of, respect for and enhancement of ICH, in particular those referred to in Article 14, ODs 105 to 109 and OD 155:

- a. educational, awareness-raising and information programmes aimed at the general public, in particular young people;
- b. educational and training programmes within the communities and groups concerned;
- c. capacity-building activities for the safeguarding of ICH;
- d. non-formal means of transmitting knowledge;
- e. education for the protection of natural spaces and places of memory whose existence is necessary for expressing ICH.

Explain, in particular, how your organization cooperates with communities, groups and, where relevant, individuals when participating in such measures.

Not to exceed 250 words

An important aspect has been the permanent attention paid to our local communities, as well as the collaboration with other entities devoted to the ICH in our area. The collaboration with the Interpretation Centre of the Huecha Valley has been particularly significant, with events directed to young people and with certain municipal authorities. In recent years we have set up a specific programme dedicated to traditional Games and Sports.

C. Bilateral, sub-regional, regional and international cooperation

Report on any activities carried out by your organization at the bilateral, subregional, regional or international levels for the implementation of the Convention, including initiatives such as the exchange of information and experience, and other joint initiatives, as referred to in Article 19 and OD 156. You may, for example, consider the following issues:

- a. sharing information and documentation concerning shared ICH (OD 87);
- b. participating in regional cooperation activities including, for example, those of category 2 centres for ICH established under the auspices of UNESCO (OD 88);
- c. developing networks of NGOs, communities, experts, centres of expertise and research institutes at subregional and regional levels to develop joint and interdisciplinary approaches concerning shared ICH (OD 86).

Not to exceed 250 words

In addition to our constant efforts to spread awareness of the contents of UNESCO documentation on the ICH through articles and talks, during 2018 we have produced a series of articles on all the ICH declarations, based on information of UNESCO itself, and this has found a wide audience.

D. Participation in the work of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage

- D.1 Has your organization participated in the Committee meetings or those of the General Assembly? If so, please indicate which meetings you attended and describe the nature of your contribution to the Committee's work.

Not to exceed 250 words

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The most recent meeting we attended was in Ethiopia, but we were unable to attend later ones as we have not received invitations to them, perhaps due to problems with our e-mail (which has been changed). This year we shall take part in a meeting of all the accredited NGO's in Spain and Portugal, to be held in Valencia.

- D.2 Has your organization served as a member of the Evaluation Body (OD 26 to 31), or as a member of the Consultative Body (between 2012 and 2014)? If so, please indicate the period.

Not to exceed 100 words

Not

- D.3 In what way(s) has your organization provided advisory services to the Committee (OD 96) or in what way(s) do you foresee that it might provide such services in the future?

Not to exceed 500 words

E. Capacities of your organization to evaluate nominations, proposals and requests (as described in OD 27 and OD 96):

- E.1. Nominations, proposals and requests are available for evaluation only in English or French. Do members of your organization or your staff have a very good command of English or French? If so, please indicate which language(s) and the number of those members or staff.

Not to exceed 250 words

For this mission we have unmarked Mr. Mervyn Samuel who is a British citizen.

- E.2. Does your organization have experience in working across several ICH domains? Please describe your experiences.

Not to exceed 250 words

Through regular courses and meetings, we have constantly informed about the Intangible Cultural Heritage and the missions of the committee.

E.3. Describe the experience of your organization in evaluating and analysing documents such as proposals or applications.

Not to exceed 250 words

Our organization has extensive experience in preparing reports on various issues that are subject to study by local and regional authorities. We also collaborate with Hispania Nostra and Europa Nostra in the evaluation of the candidacies for their annual awards. A member of the Centre has also formed part of the panels of the National Prizes awarded by the Ministry of Culture.

E.4. Does your organization have experience in drafting synthetic texts in English or French? Please describe your experience and indicate in which language(s) and the number of those members or staff.

Not to exceed 250 words

There are no problems to count, as we have indicated, with the collaboration of Mr. Mervyn Samuel.

E.5. Does your organization have experience in working at the international level or the capacity to apply local experience to an international context? Please describe such experience.

Not to exceed 250 words

Undoubtedly, it is the collaboration with Europa Nostra, for many years, which has given us more experience to evaluate the complex dossiers of the applications for their awards.

F. Cooperation with UNESCO

Report on activities carried out by your organization in cooperation with UNESCO (both direct cooperation with UNESCO as well as activities carried out under the auspices of UNESCO or for which you have received the authorization to use the emblem of UNESCO/of the 2003 Convention, or financial support, such as funding from the Participation Program).

Not to exceed 250 words

There have not been any

G. Signature

The report must include the name and signature of the person empowered to sign it on behalf of the organization.

Name: Manuel Gracia Rivas

Title: Mr.

Date: 05-02-2019

Signature: mgrivas